



Man vs: The wild animals of Big Sky Country

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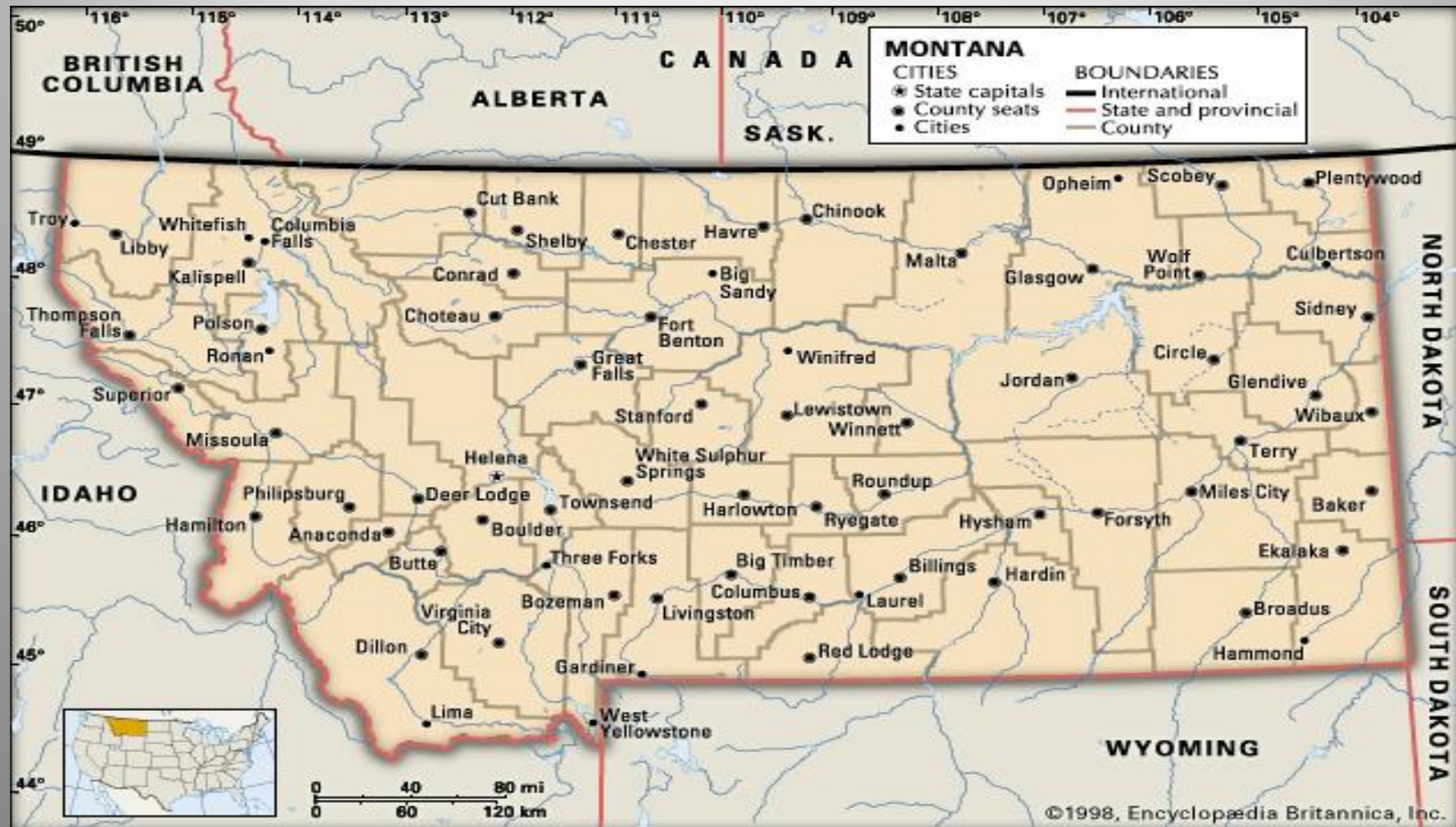


Behavioral Objectives

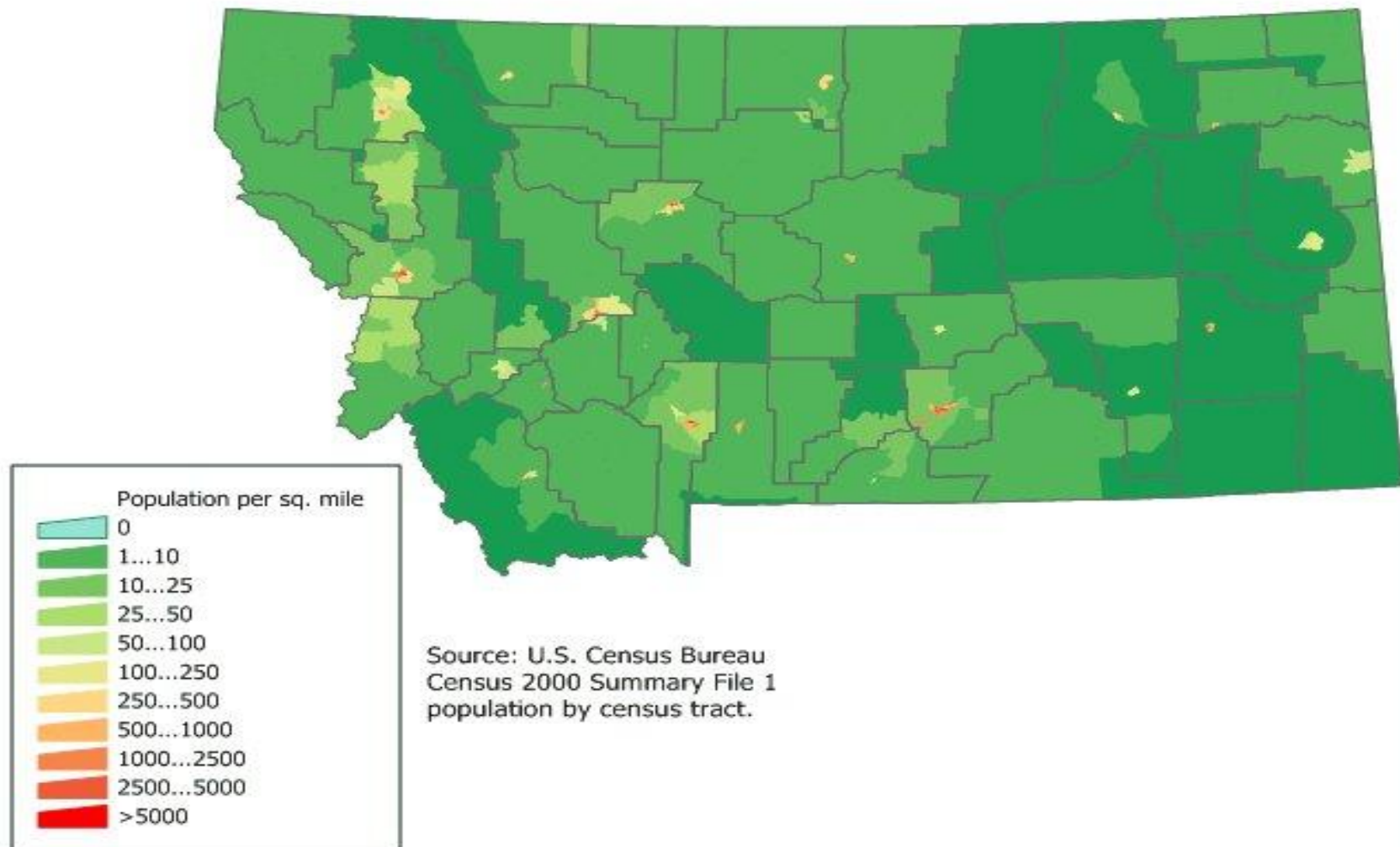
- Flight nursing challenges unique to Montana
- Injuries sustained in wild animal attacks
- Specific treatment techniques used wild animal attacks



My Backyard



Population Distributions



How Bis is Big Sky Country

- Montana vs: Massachusetts



Where to find Healthcare

- EMS, the front line
- Hospitals and Trauma Designations
- Availability of Services
- Flight Teams
- Distance

The Golden Hour Montana Style

- The Golden Hour
- The Golden Hour...Montana Style



Why are people attacked

- Encroachment
- Perception vs: Reality
- Attitude
- Food Chain
- Gun Fire



Say Hello to my little friends!



Ursus Arctos Horribilis

The North American Grizzly

- Distribution
- Description
- Diet
- Speed
- Predators



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The Shiras Moose

- Distribution
- Description
- Diet
- Horns
- Behavior



Crotalus Viridus

The Prairie Rattlesnake



- Distribution
- Description
- Diet
- Fangs and Venom
- Facts and Myths

Any day is a good for FISHING

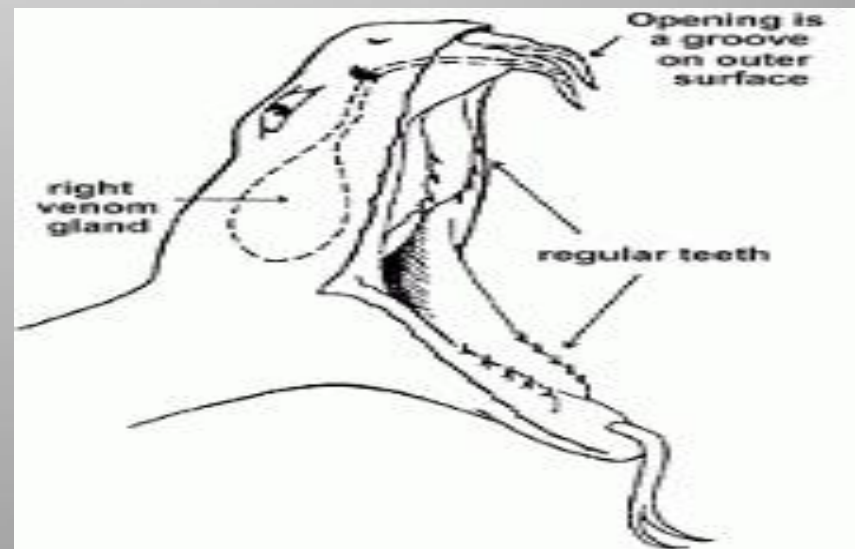
55 y/o Male

- Drinking and Fishing
- Untrained Snake Handler
- Delay in seeking care
- Critical Access without Anti-Venom

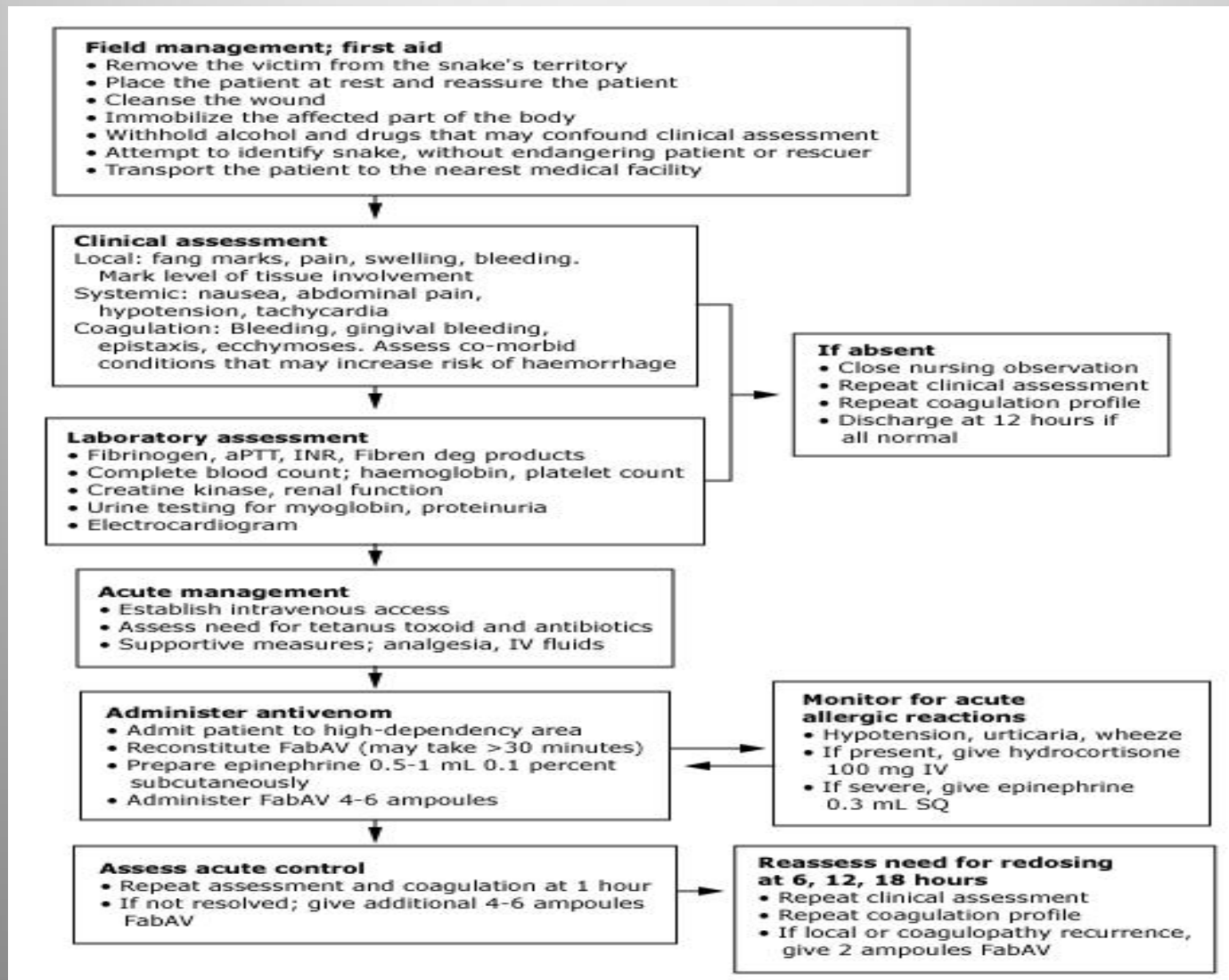


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- Staff and Capabilities limited
- Pre-Arrest GCS 1-1-1
- ABC/ACLS/Pressors/
AntiVenom
- Transport



Rattlesnake Envenomation Algorithm

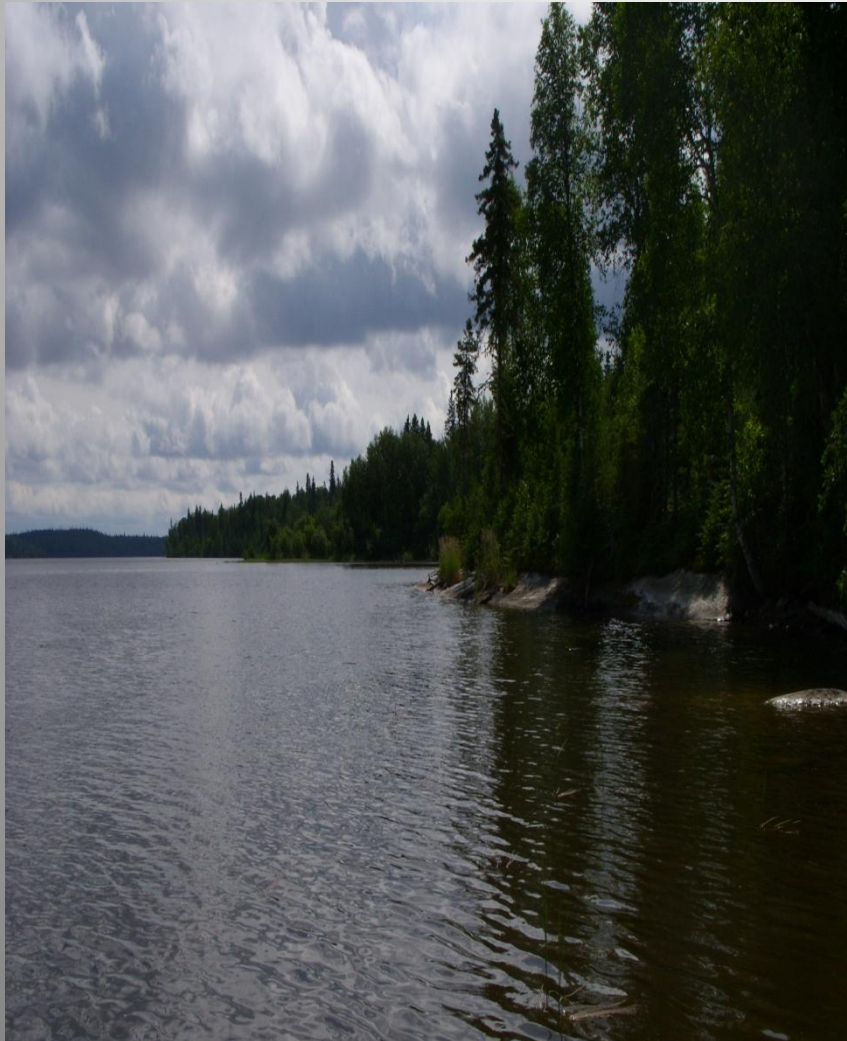


“The patient is in great peril”

- A-B-C
- Labs
- CroFab
- Renal Failure and DIC



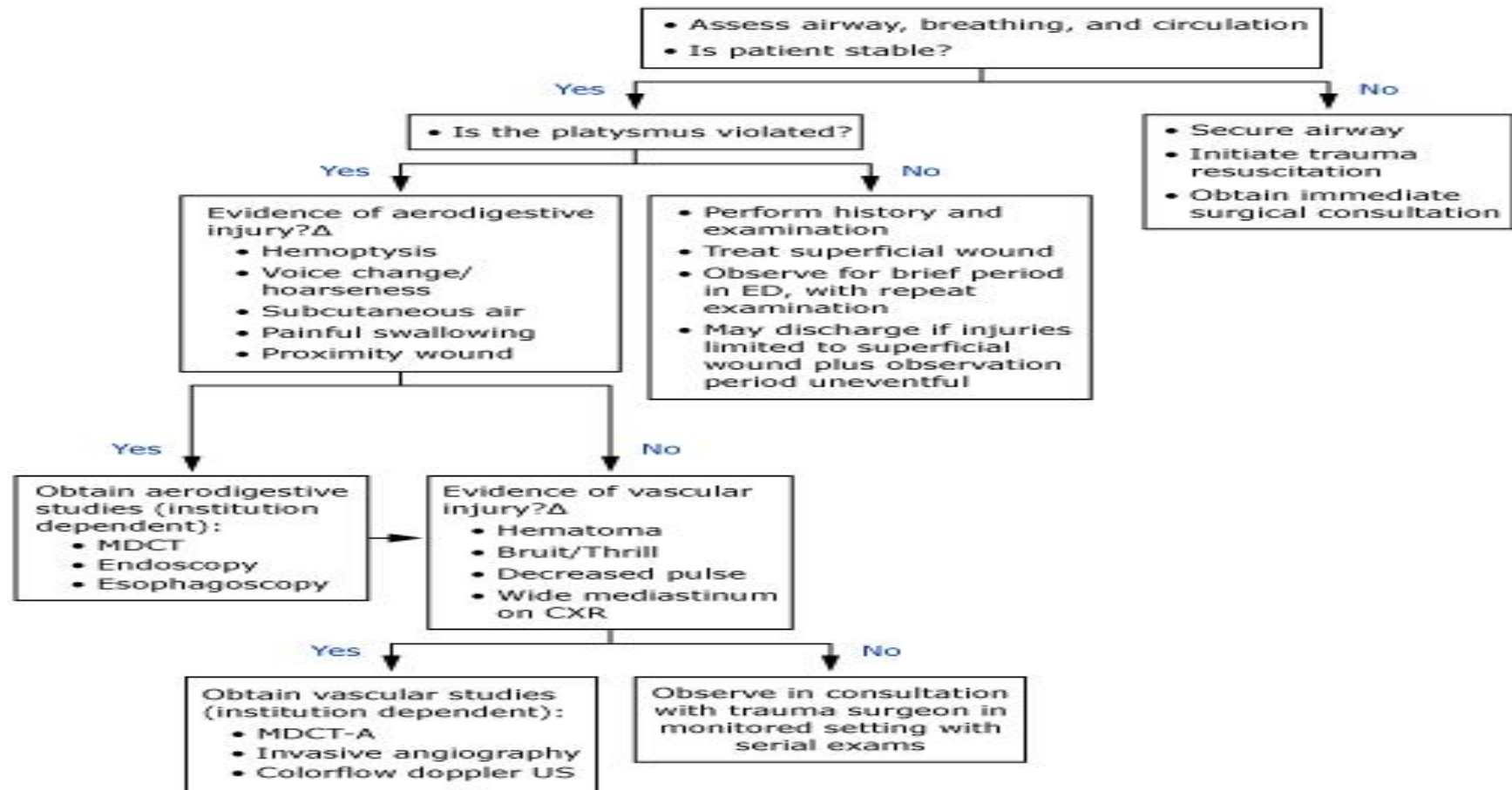
“I thought I would die!”



60 y/o Female

- Remote Wilderness
- Bull Moose
- Awake and Alert
- POV/EMS/ER

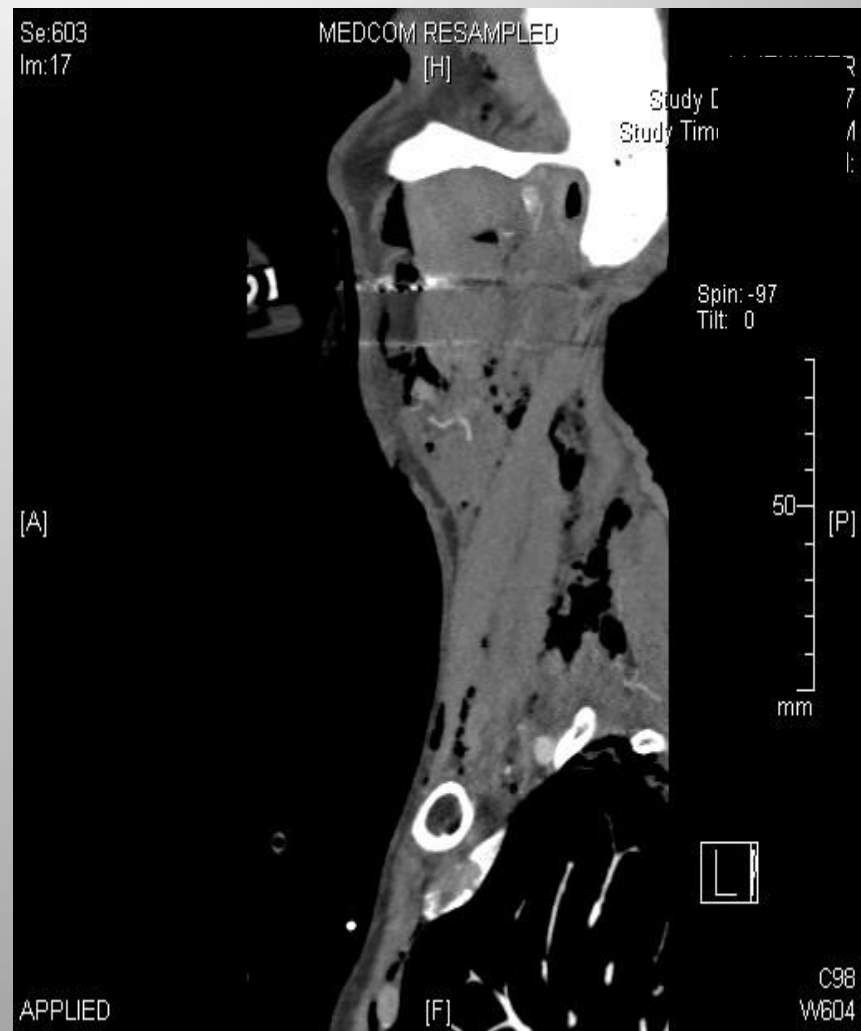
Penetrating Neck Trauma Algorithm



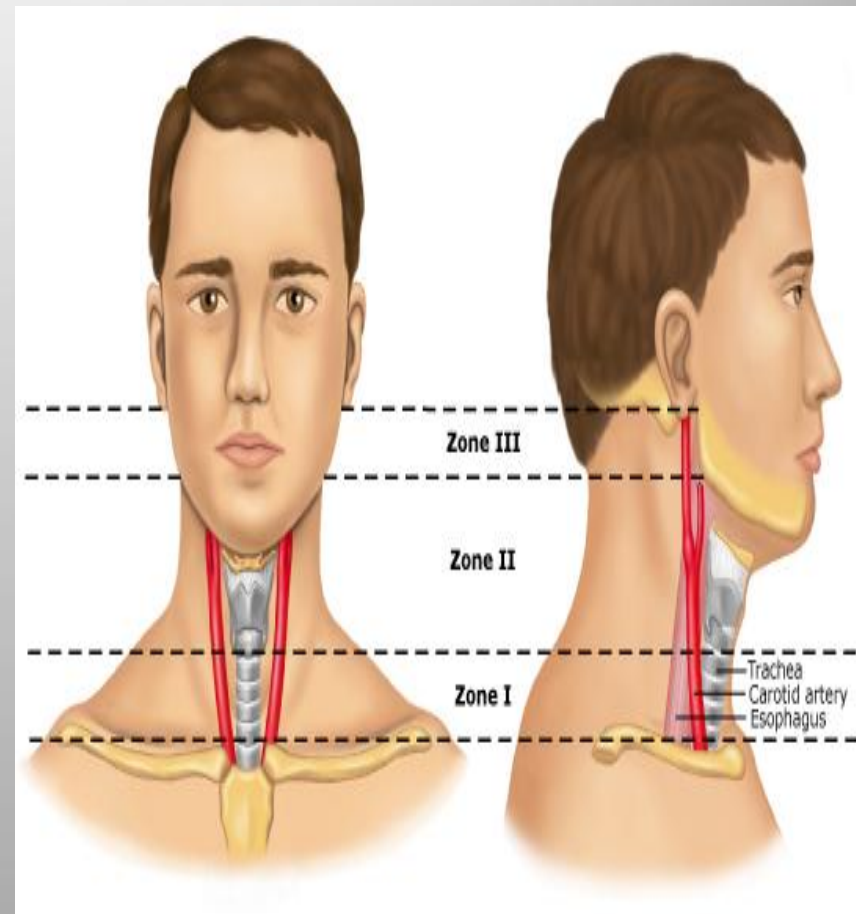
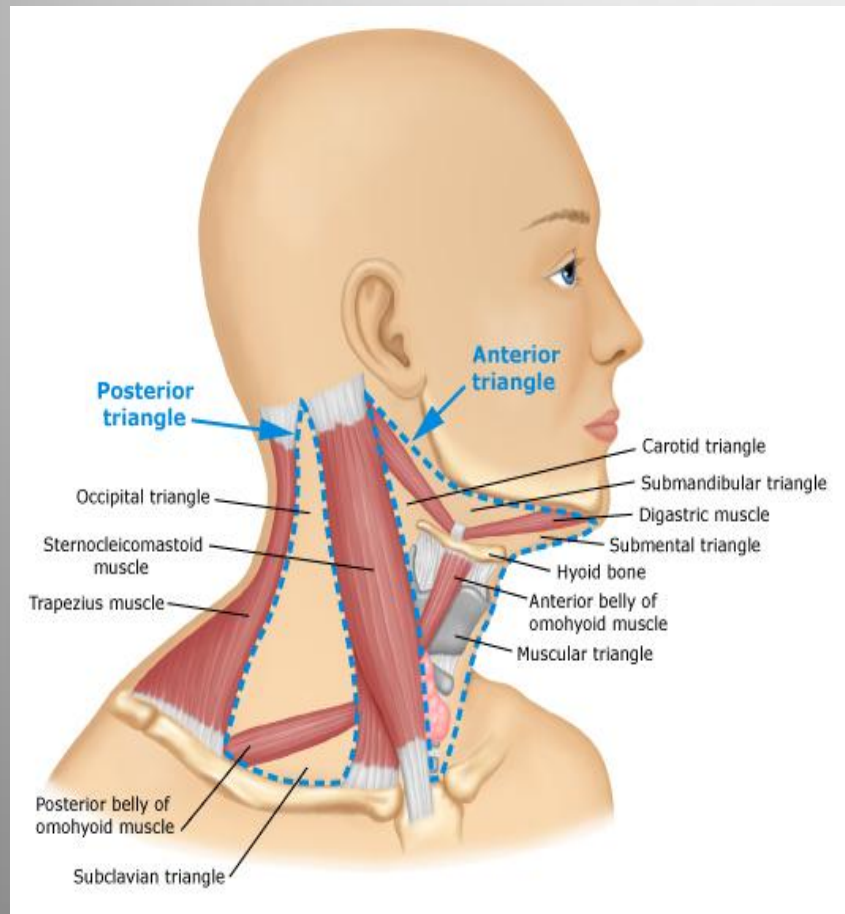
* Please note that in select institutions patients with PNI (especially zone II injuries) undergo mandatory surgical exploration and ancillary diagnostic testing is not performed in the ED.

Δ Careful physical examination can miss important injuries. Obtain diagnostic imaging if there is the slightest concern about occult injury.

Lateral Neck CT



Neck Zones



“Minding my own business”

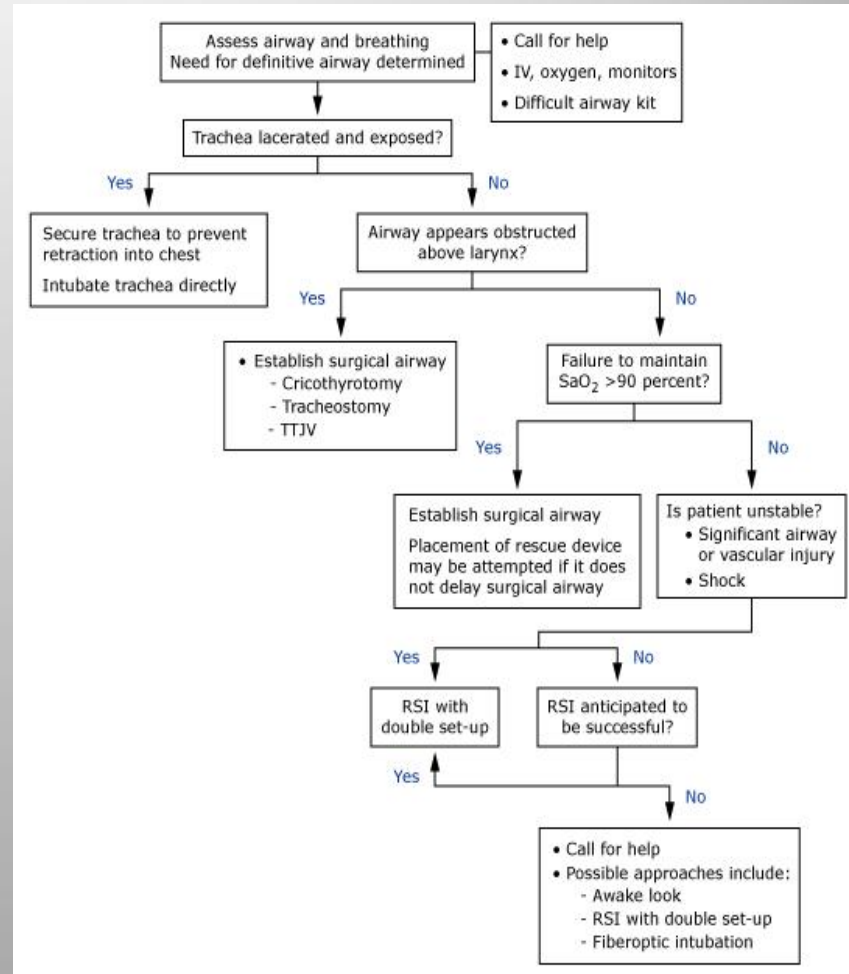
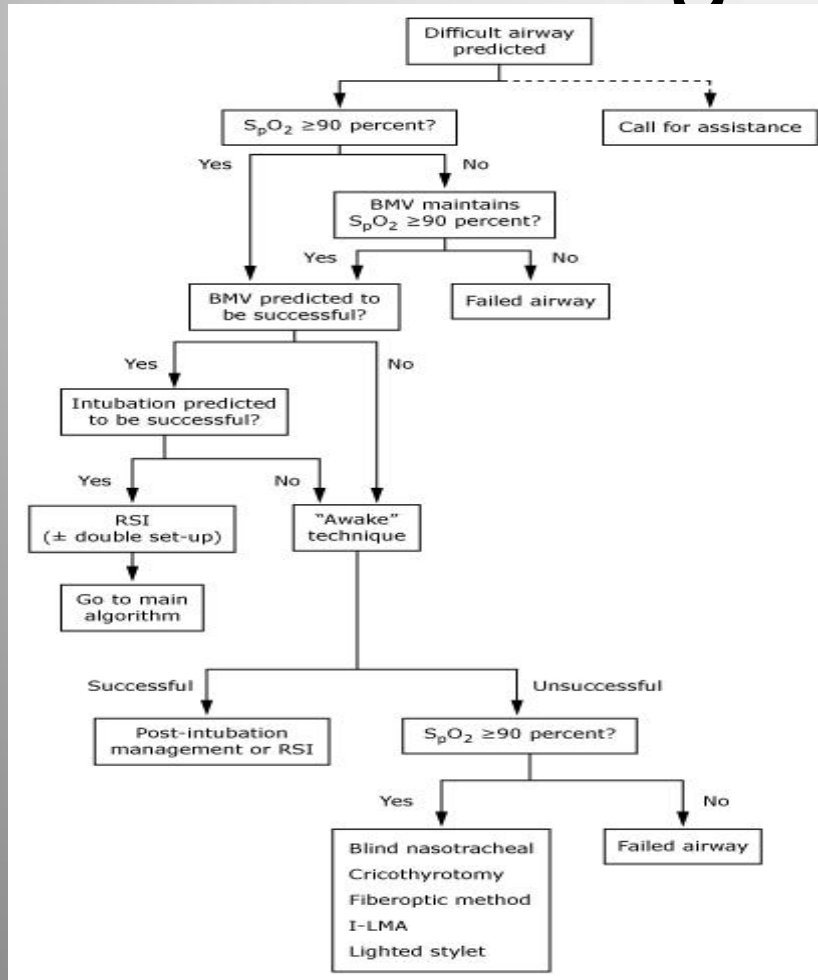
52 y/o Male

- Western Montana
- Recent Deer kills site
- POV/EMS/ER
- Airway, Breathing, CHOPPER!

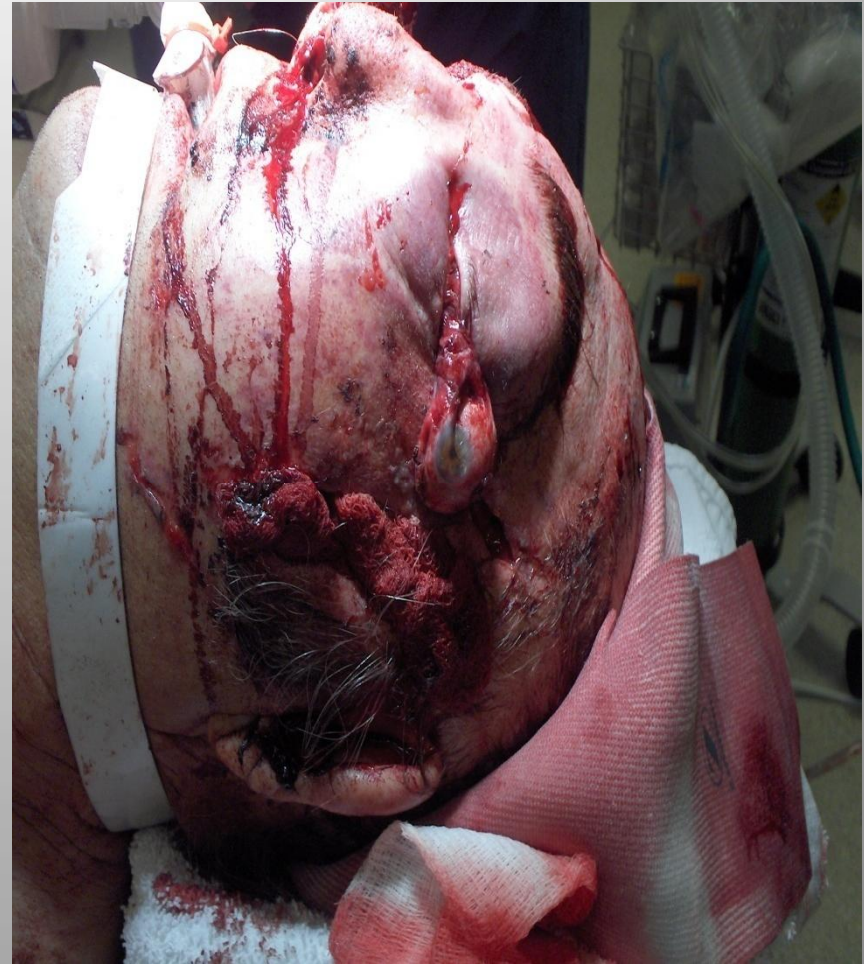




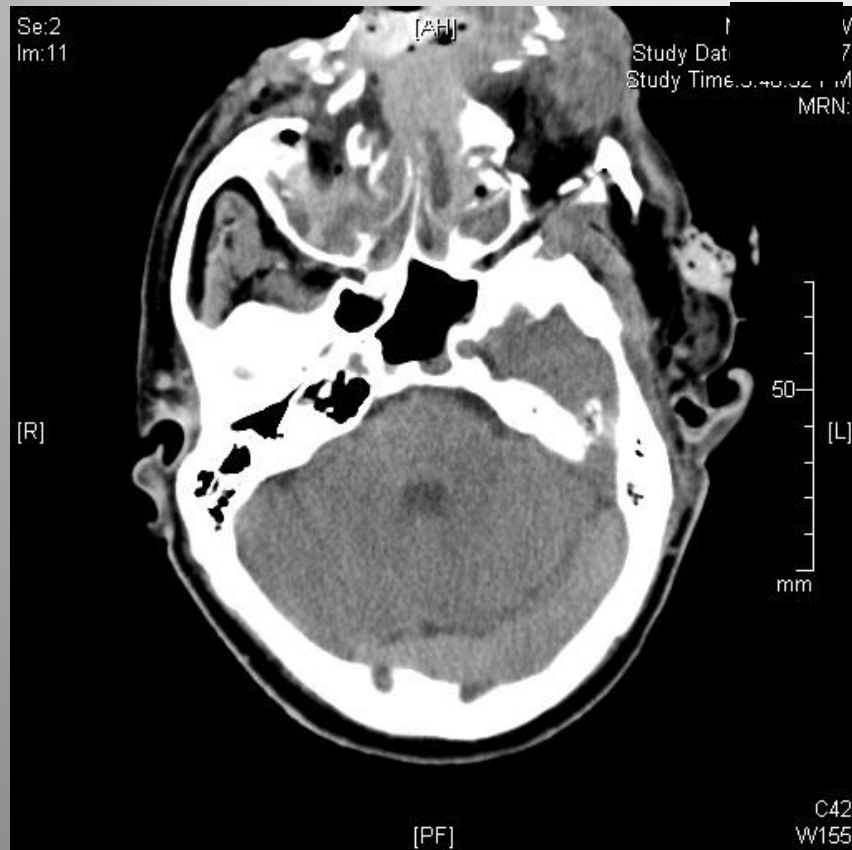
Trauma and Difficult Airway Algorithms



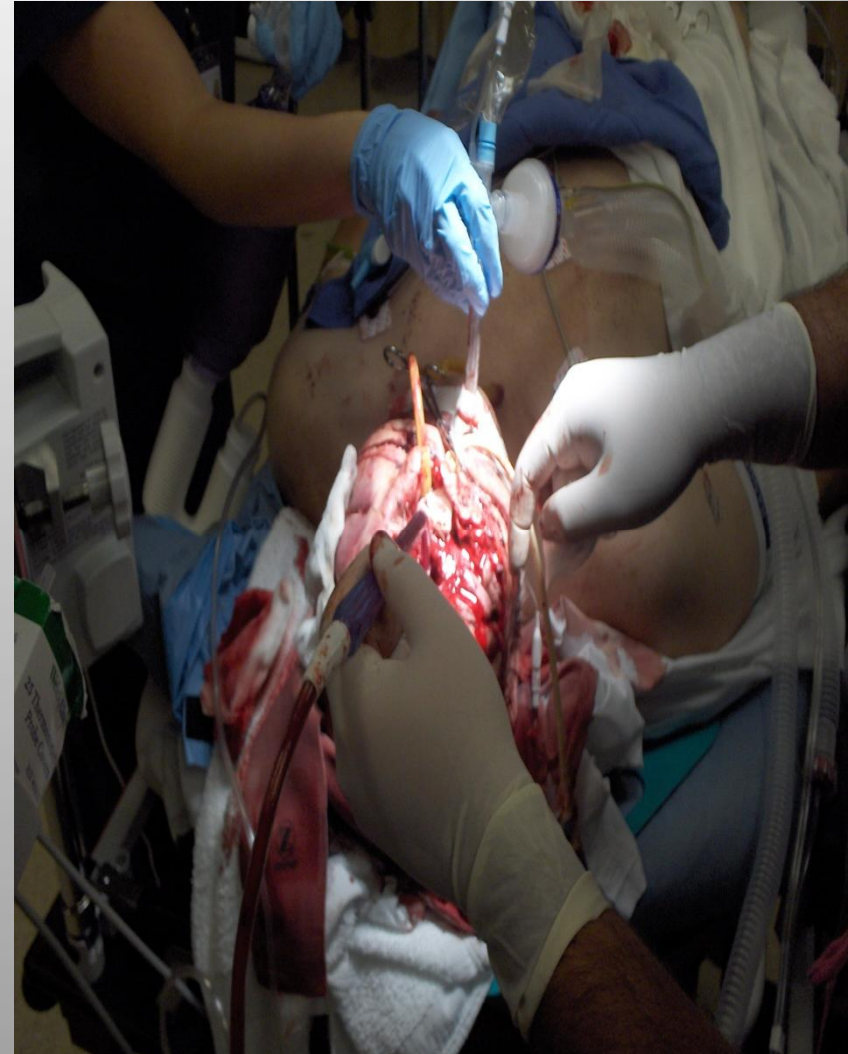
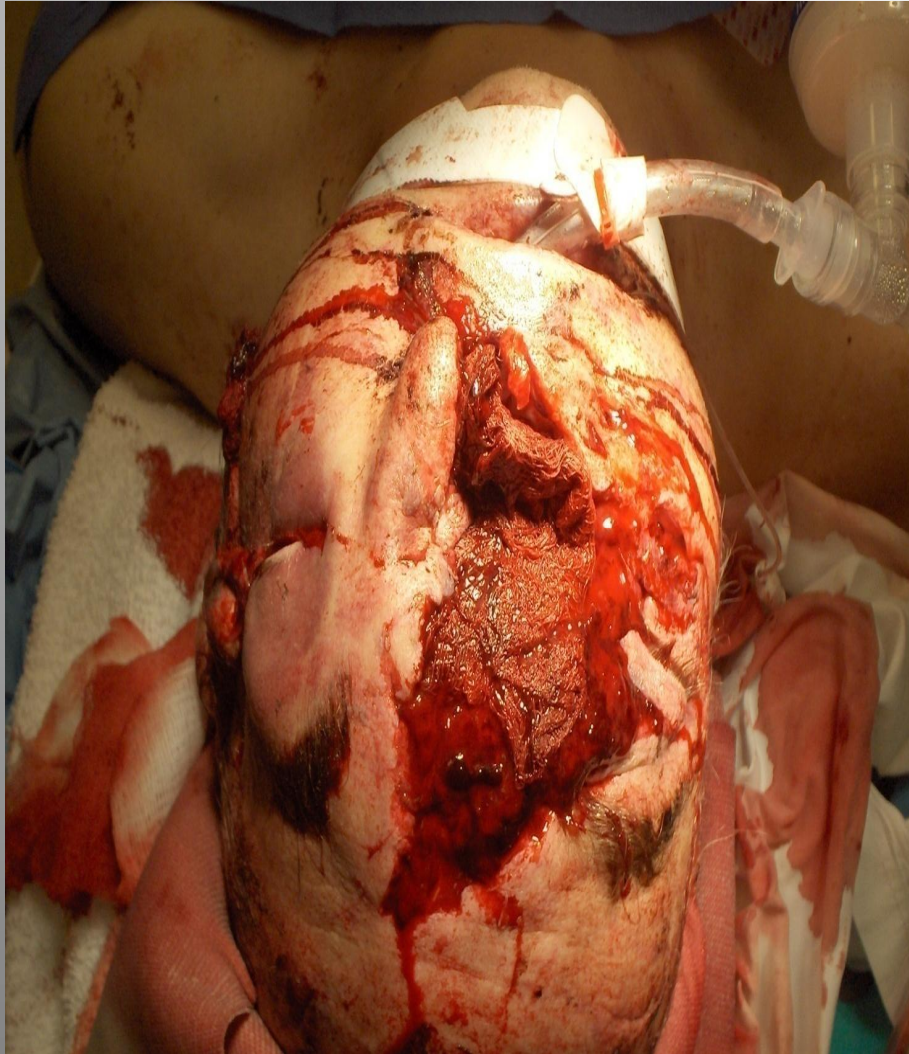
To expose or not expose ?



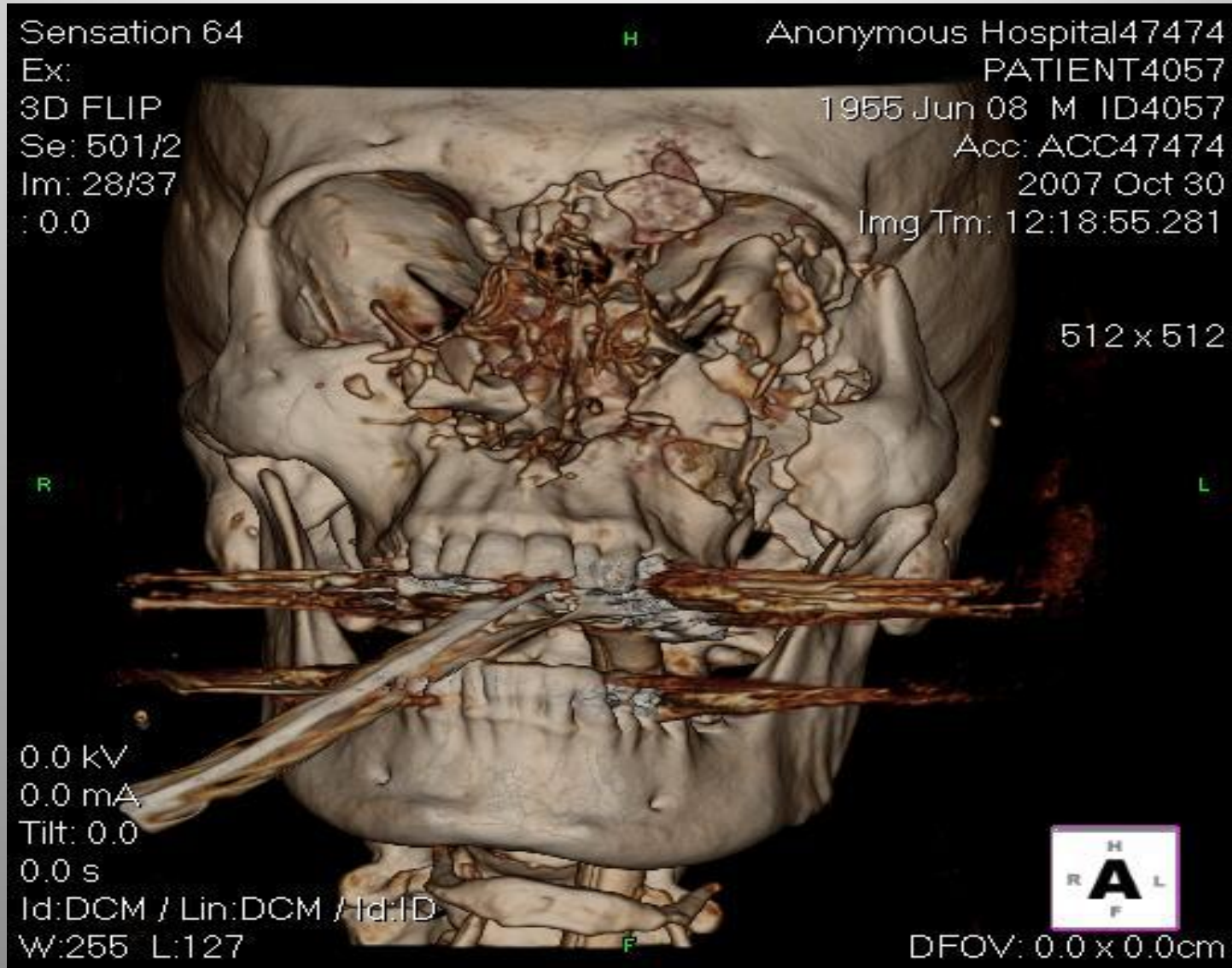
Soft Tissue NIGHTMARE!



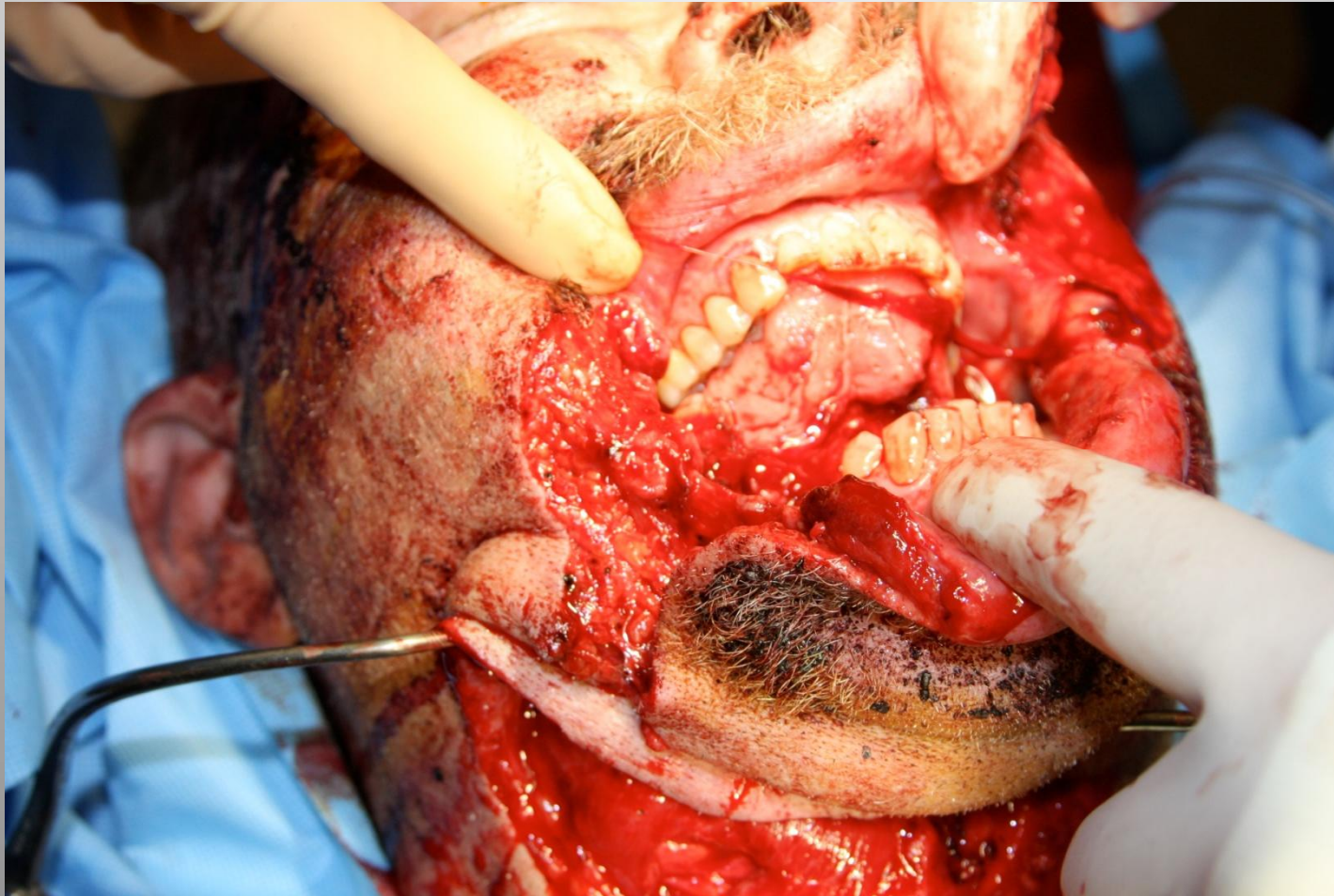
Airway, Breathing and Bleeding



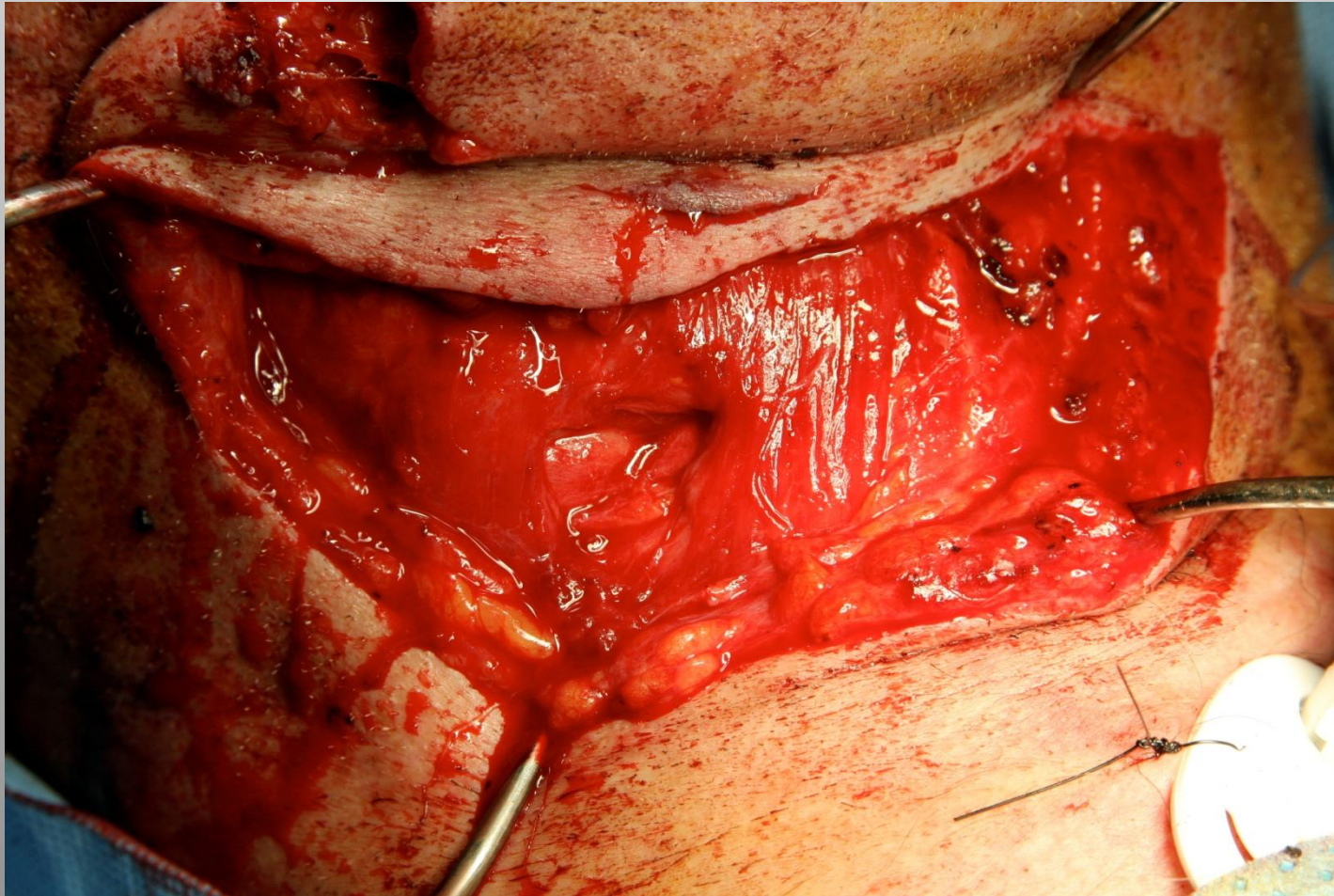
Cranio-Facial Trauma at its WORST



2009 Grizzly Attack



Platysmus Muscle Disruption



Final Disposition

- Fisherman
- Nature Lover
- Hunter
- Ordinary Citizen



Trauma Management

Always different Always the Same

- Airway
- Breathing
- Circulation

Questions?



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